

AMENDMENT TO DRAWINGS

Please amend Figs. 10 and 11 as indicated in red in the enclosed marked-up copies, which are labeled as “Annotated Sheet” in the top margins thereof. In particular, letters A-L have been inserted to label the twelve panels of Fig. 10 alphabetically, and letters A-E have been inserted to label the five panels of FIG. 11 alphabetically.

Clean copies of above amended figures are also enclosed, which are labeled as “Replacement Sheet” in the top margins thereof.

REMARKS

The above Notice indicates an inconsistency between the drawings and specification. In particular, Figures 10A-10L and 11A-11E are listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification but not contained in the drawings, whereas Figures 10 and 11 are contained in the drawings but not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification. In response, Applicants have amended the drawings to be consistent with the specification as discussed above. No new matter is introduced in this response.

Applicants note that among the corrected figures, Fig. 11A-11E appear on the same sheet of Fig. 8 on the immediate prior version. Fig. 8 was previously submitted in color with a Petition to Accept Color Drawings Under 35 CFR 1.84 filed on March 3, 2003.

In accordance with MPEP 608.02 and 714, Applicants submit herewith: (1) three sets of the replacement sheet of drawings that includes Fig. 8 (in color) and Figs. 11A-11E; and (2) a black and white photocopy of the replacement sheet that accurately depicts, to the extent possible, the subject matter shown in the color drawings. Applicants further note that the instant specification has been amended by inserting proper language regarding color drawings.

Applicants do not believe that a new petition to accept color drawings under 35 CFR 1.84 and another petition fee as set forth in §1.17(h) are necessary in light of the previously submitted petition and associated fees.

Should any other issues remain, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned for a quick resolution.

This paper is submitted timely. No fees are believed to be due with this submission. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct such fees from Howrey LLP Deposit Account No. 08-3038/12665.0009.CNUS01.

Respectfully submitted,



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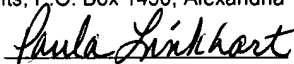
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